

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed April 28, 2011, and is further to the Notice of Appeal filed on July 28, 2011.

Before this amendment, claims 15, 28, 31, 33, 34, 36-54, 57-61 and 63-69 were pending.

In this Amendment, claims 31 and 67 are canceled to reduce the number of issues on appeal. Claim 65 is amended to comply with a requirement of form expressly set forth in the previous office action and/or place the claims in better form for the consideration on appeal. No new matter has been added. Claim 66 is amended to place the claims in better form for the consideration on appeal. No new matter has been added.

After entry of this Amendment claims 15, 28, 33, 34, 36-54, 57-61 and 63-69 will be pending.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment.

Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 20-1430.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

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